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SUBJECT: SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR JOINT SOVIET-JAPANESE NUCLEAR POWER
PLANT CONSTRUCTION IN SAKHALIN

1. ACCORDING TO ASAHI'S MOSCOW CORRESPONDENT SHIRAI,
SOVIET PREMIER KOSYGIN, IN HIS MEETING WITH JAPANESE
LABOR MINISTER ISHIDA JUNE 14, REPORTEDLY SUGGESTED,
AS A POSSIBLE AREA OF COOPERATION BETWEEN JAPAN AND
SOVIET UNION IN DEVELOPMENT OF SIBERIA, JOINT
CONSTRUCTION OF NUCLEAR POWER STATION IN SAKHALIN.

2. KOSYGIN SPECIFICALLY SUGGESTED THAT JAPAN AND SOVIET
UNION JOINTLY CONSTRUCT A 4,000 MWE NUCLEAR POWER STATION
IN SAKHALIN. OF THIS OUTPUT, 2,000 MWE WOULD BE
CONSUMED IN SAKHALIN AND REMAINDER EXPORTED TO JAPAN
BY LONG-DISTANCE POWER TRANSMISSION. IDEA APPARENTLY IS
TO LIGHTEN SOVIET BURDEN OF CONSTRUCTION EXPENSE
AND TO REDUCE UNIT COST OF POWER.

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3. LABOR MINISTER ISHIDA REPORTEDLY GAVE NO COMMITMENT
TO SOVIET PROPOSAL. HE PROMISED, HOWEVER, TO CONVEY
THE PROPOSAL TO JAPANESE MEMBERS OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL
JAPAN-SOVIET ECONOMIC COMMITTEE WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO
MEET THIS FALL.

4. COMMENT: WE ARE REMINDED OF SIMILAR EFFORT BY
USSR A FEW YEARS AGO TO ENCOURAGE FRG TO BUILD NUCLEAR
POWER PLANT ON SOVIET TERRITORY, AND TO TRANSMIT POWER
ACROSS GDR TO FRG. ALSO, CONSIDERING CURRENT SOVIET
EFFORTS TO PURCHASE NUCLEAR POWER PLANT COMPONENTS
FROM JAPAN, THE SAKHALIN ARRANGEMENT MAY BE ANOTHER
SOVIET MEANS FOR TRYING TO ACQUIRE ACCESS TO JAPANESE
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT TECHNOLOGY.
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